MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Is it the member's opinion that there is no rule regulating the distance between two markets ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): There is no rule. But notice should be issued to the neighbouring markets to enable them to raise objections if there are any.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know whether the location of the former Kallara market was much more convenient than the present one ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : No.

Maintenance of roads in the Nedumangad Taluk.

219. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) what was the amount of the annual maintenance allotment of the branch roads in the Nedumangad taluk in the years 1105, 1106, 1107, 1108, 1109, 1110, and 1111 respectively ;

(*b*) what is the amount actually spent for the maintenance of the branch roads in the Nedumangad taluk ;

(*c*) what is the amount allotted for the year 1112 ;

(*d*) whether there is maintenance allotment for the village roads known as Nedumangad-Aruvikara trace and Pirappancode-Pothencodu trace ; and

(*e*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the affirmative, whether any money is being spent for the maintenance of the above two village roads ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) :

(*a*), (b) and (*c*) A * statement is placed on the table.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Yes.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : With reference to the answer to parts (*a*), (*b*) & (*c*), may I know from the Government whether they are aware that all the roads given in Appendix I have been left neglected since 1111 ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : No.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know whether the Government are aware that even the Tahsildar of Nedumangad has made a complaint with regard to the neglected and dangerous condition of the Vembayam-Nedumangad road ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I do not think that there is any complaint.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know whether the Government will look into this question in the near future ?

*Vide Appendix I pages 729 and 730.

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MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): The roads were duly inspected by the Divisional and Sub-Divisional Officers.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether the Chief Engineer has inspected any of these roads? Is the member able to tell the distance of the Nedumangad town from the headquarters of the Chief Engineer?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I do not know.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): In spite of the request made by the honourable member for Nedumangad, may I know whether the Chief Engineer has visited any of these roads?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): No, Sir, he has something else to do.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know what Government mean when the Chief Engineer answers that he has something else to do? (*Laughter*).

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): It means the Chief Engineer has something else to do.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Then, may I know whether any other officer from Government would look into this complaint that these roads are completely left neglected?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): It is not necessary. The departmental officers have visited these roads.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Sir, may I know whether these roads are being maintained for the convenience of the people or for the department?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): For the people.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Are the Government aware that there is much inconvenience to the people now?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I do not know, Sir. (*Laughter*).

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Sir, I request the President humbly to make a request to the Dewan to pay a surprise visit to any one of these roads?

PRESIDENT: The honourable member's request to the President to make a request to the Dewan is noted.

Irrigation Canals in Pandalam Vadakkekara.

220. *MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they know the number of canals which drain the water that flow down from the hilly regions of the northern part of the Pandalam-Vadakkekara *pakuthi* into the Kidangannoor *puncha*; and

(*b*) on the sides of each of these canals, how many breaches have occurred and how many *paras* of paddy fields have become useless for cultivation due to the entrance of gravel which lie in heaps in the major portions of the above-mentioned fields?

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Appendix I.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 219.**

Branch roads in Nedumangad Taluk—Statement showing grant and expenditure from 1105 to 1111 M. E.

No.	Name of roads.	Expenditure.							Grant for 1112.
		1105 Rs.	1106 Rs	1107 Rs.	1108 Rs.	1109 Rs.	1110 Rs.	1111 Rs.	Rs.
1	Vellanad road { 4 3/8 miles unmetalled 3 miles metalled. ...	1698	1159	986	1335	1262	1471	1240	1188
2	Nedumangad-Shorlacode road { 10½ miles unmetalled 1½ miles metalled ...	2165	1888	1667	1372	1807	1643	1739	1575
3	Vembayam-Nedumangad road { 2 miles unmetalled 3 miles metalled ...	1135	1229	675	1213	935	713	862	833
4	8th mile T. S. road to Katchani-Aruvikara road ...	New road transferred from Water Works Department in 1111.							500
5	14th mile T. S. Road to Venjaramood ...	1051	1410	808	973	978	1217	497	919
6	Valiavankad Estate road. 1¼ miles unmetalled ...	...	...	81	75	223	128	213	250
7	Nedumangad Town roads 1 mile unmetalled ..	292	151	124	202	304	195	204	150
8	Aryanad-Pallode road and Vidura branch unmetalled ...	1733	1615	1227	1294	1428	1543	1286	1475
9	Vellanad-Aryanad road and branch 3½ miles do. ..	476	308	174	458	387	300	371	350
10	Kottoor road 11½ to 18¼—6¾ miles unmetalled ...	1047	1272	990	1596	1478	1217	798	1350
11	9th mile T. S. road to Aruvikara 2½ miles do. ...	350	132	189	212	338	257	289	312
12	Kazhanad road 4 1/2 miles unmetalled ...	278	256	239	376	373	447	266	212

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Appendix I—(*contd.*)

No.	Name of roads.	Expenditure.							Grant for 1112.
		1105 Rs.	1106 Rs.	1107 Rs.	1108 Rs.	1109 Rs.	1110 Rs.	1111 Rs.	Rs.
13	2nd mile Aruvikara to 3rd mile Katchani road—3/4 miles unmetalled. ...	9	80	26	23	18	12	38	94
14	Katchani-Aruvikara road 3½ do. ...	354	299	346	306	259	195	427	437
15	Silk Farm road 7/8 mile ...	82	65	22	41	84	72	66	100
16	Vamanapuram-Chittar road 1 to 6 mile ...	13	143	123	171	1393	1277	1292	1800. Was borne only under village roads till end of 1108 Rs. 25 per mile. From 1109 under metalled roads.
17	Nedumangad-Aruvikara road—2¾ miles village road...	119	110	94	97	100	92	64	110
18	Aruvikara-Vellanad road—2¾ miles village road ...	83	110	92	86	73	100	42	110
19	(West Sub-Division) Perappancode-Pothencode road 3¾ miles village road ...	94	71	78	85	70	90	21	94
20	Venjaramood to Attingal road 1 mile (unmetalled) ...	175	236	114	248	240	224	176	200
21	Vembayam-Pallipuram road (unmetalled) ...	489	681	341	489	612	536	552	400
22	Trace from Perappancode to Vembayam 12th mile M. C. Road (Trace). ...	...	43	39	28	45	44	...	45

N. B. The maintenance grant for each of the years from 1105 to 1111 is the same as for 1112 except for item 16 *vide* remark against it.